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11. (C/NF) Canada has agreed to the appointment of Vice Admiral James A. Winnefield, Jr., as the next Commander of the North American Aerospace Defense Command. Text of diplomatic note in para 2.

12. (C/NF) Begin text

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The Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade presents its compliments to the Embassy of the United States of America and has the honour to refer to the Embassy's note 825 of December 4, 2009 regarding the appointment of a new Commander of the North American Aerospace Defence Command to replace General Victor E. Renuart Jr.

The Department is pleased to inform the Embassy that the Government of Canada concurs in the appointment of Vice Admiral James A. Winnefield Jr., United States Navy, to the post of Commander of the North American Aerospace Defence Command.

The Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade avails itself of this opportunity to renew to the Embassy of the United States of America the assurances of its highest consideration.

OTTAWA, 22 December 2009

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